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In re Patent Application of:
Seiichi NAKATANI et al.

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Examiner: J. B. Vigushin

Group Art Unit: 2841

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 & 1.98**

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicants submit for consideration in the above-identified application the documents listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08a/b. Copies of thirty-four of the documents (Cite Nos. 1-7, 9-10, 12-17, and 19-37) were previously submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement and/or Office Action, directed to the following related applications, which are now granted patents: 1) Patent Number 6,038,133, issued March 14, 2000 (Application No. 09/196,792 filed November 20, 1998); 2) Patent Number 6,338,767, issued January 15, 2002 (Application No. 09/484,899 filed January 18, 2000); and 3) Patent Number 6,625,037, issued September 23, 2003 (Application No. 09/956,551 filed September 20, 2001) and, accordingly, copies are not included herewith. This protocol conforms with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d) and M.P.E.P. 609(A)(2). The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record in the application.

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Three of the documents listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08a/b (Cite Nos. 8, 11, and 18) were cited in the reexamination of related U.S. Patents 6,038,133 (No. 90/007,381) and 6,625,037 (No. 90/007,382), and have not been previously cited. The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record in the application.

Applicants note the Examiner's comments in the Office Action mailed November 8, 2005, regarding Applicants' previously filed Information Disclosure Statement. The Examiner states a copy of the "Japanese Office Action dated April 23, 2004" mentioned in Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement and listed as Reference No. 8 on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 filed October 15, 2004, was not received by the Patent Office. Applicants now resubmit this document, and request that the Examiner make the document of record in the application.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is submitted after receipt of a first Office Action on the merits but before mailing of a final Office Action or Notice of Allowance. A fee is required. Accordingly, a Fee Transmittal form (PTO/SB/17) is attached to this submission in duplicate.

Applicants would appreciate the Examiner initialing and returning the Form PTO/SB/08a/b, indicating that the information has been considered and made of record herein.

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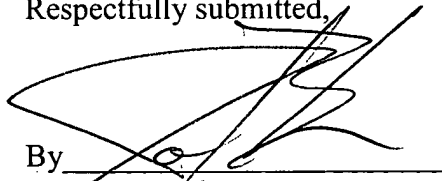
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Respectfully submitted,

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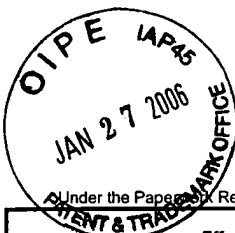
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1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

<u>Total Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>	<u>Multiple Dependent Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>
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3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

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	38.	Japanese Office Action dated April 23, 2004, 3 pages		

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